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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 06 January 2009.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 10 and 12-17 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 10 and 12-17 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413) |
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. Claims 10 and 12-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Downing et al (US 5,963, 647) in view of Gephart (US 6,339,766)

Re claim 10: Downing discloses an interactive method for transferring funds from or to a user's financial account held at one institution and a user's financial account held at another institution (see figs. 5A-5C, Abstract, column 10, lines 37+); comprising steps of:

(a) inputting in a data field within a single interface accessed by the user on an Network a transfer amount (32-sender)(36-transfer instruction file)(see fig. 3, column 6, lines 9+; column 7, lines 29+)

(b) selecting from a data menu within the single interface a date for the funds transfer to execute (see figs. 5A-5C, Abstract, column 10, lines 37+)

(c) selecting from a data menu within the single interface a financial institution and associated account number of an account the transfer amount (fig. 5A, S6-Select source Account) will be taken from, the financial institution providing access to the user's financial account requiring the user at least log-in with a name and password to access the user's financial account (see column 10, line 37 to column 11, line 9, esp, column 11, lines 1-3);

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(d) selecting from a data menu within a single interface a financial institution and associated account number of an account the transfer amount will be deposited to, the financial institution providing access to the user's financial account requiring the user at least log-in with a name and password to access the user's financial institution; (see column 10, line 37 to column 11, line 9, esp, column 11, lines 1-3)

(e) submitting the transfer funds order to be executed on the selected date (see column 11, lines 10-15); and

(f) initiating the transfer on the requested date by proxy over the Internet network on behalf of the user (see column 11, lines 16+);

Downing fails to disclose, as in claims 12-17 that the system being used on web pages via the internet (g) navigating by the proxy to the Web pages of the financial institutions via an automated browser on the Internet.

Gephart discloses contemplates use of the Internet to make financial transactions (see Abstract, column 2, lines 18-29).

It would have been obvious to modify Downing with the latest networking technology, as contemplated by Gephart to provide further use of Downing's invention based upon a conventional highly used network.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DANIEL S. FELTEN whose telephone number is (571)272-6742. The examiner can normally be reached on Flex.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas Dixon can be reached on (571) 272-6803. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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